

## SCHOOL NOTES.

By W. H. JOHNSON, Supt.  
HONOR ROLL.

High School—Hattie Mae Argo, Hugh Harbert, Nat Buckley, Pearl Chism, George Sigler, Walter Dorris, Lillie Sprayberry, Bonnie Hart, Blair Buckley, Earl Raybuck, Isaiah Faris, Bonnie Oates, Joseph Kohn.

Miss Jessie Hill's Room—Earl McElheny, Harry Curtner, Carl Sigler, Teddy Argo, Clyde White, Harold Prehm, Arthur Woods, Houston Buckley, Myrtle Robertson, Beatrice Trout, Alberta Alexander, Floy Whitelock, Iva Alexander, Stella Dorris, Lillian Elliston, Carrie Sigler, Jessie Williams.

Miss Ruth Hill's Room—Andrew Dorris, Gracie Murphy, Robert Creely, Nellie Schmidt, Elsie Perkins, Gladys Chism, Cora Mae Meatte, Sadie Mitchell, Ruth Daley, Henry Ransburgh, Ethel Martin, Grace Rowe, Wesley Yarbrow, Kos Dorris.

Miss Cook's Room—Emmons Alexander, Mancel Creely, Mary Davis, Lee Perkins, Ernest Lefler, Maude Fields, Anna Hamilton, Troy Arterberry, Carl Curtner, Thelma Robertson, Martha Welker.

Miss Winters' Room—Marie Crest, Mary Curtner, Augusta Gross, Essie Spencer, Lena Spencer, Naomi Harbert, John Schmidt, Joe Ward, Hugh Dorris, Leonard Gross, Senator Gotcher, Emerson Ransburgh, Herminna Sturm, Mayes Chism, Harold Popham, Shamel Yearta, Moore Schilling, Virginia Morgan, Jim T. Dunn, Louie Kohn, Claudie Walton.

Miss Dover's Room—Bernice Arterberry, Louise Crest, Mack Morgan, Pearl Fields, Robert Donald McNeil, Murville Spencer, Rachel Spencer, Ben Schultz, Louise Witt.

Miss McFarland's Room—J. C. Johnson, Lucille Dorris, Cassa Walton, Joe Creely, Zirta Fowler, Margaret McElheny.

The basketball season will open Friday after school, when our High School boys and girls will play Caruthersville High School boys and girls. These two games will be two of the most interesting ones of the season; be sure to see them.

Mr. Ross, our County Superintendent of Schools, paid us a short visit Tuesday forenoon. He expects to make a longer visit soon. While here Mr. Ross informed us that the Teachers' Association would be held here December 3-5. At this meeting there will be about 75 teachers in attendance, and it will be well for us to begin to think about taking care of the crowd. A committee of our teachers will call on you soon to see how many visitors you can keep during the meeting.

Patrons, are you doing your best towards keeping your children in school? Many children are out of school needlessly, we think; of course there are some who may have just cause for keeping children out, but I feel certain that we have a large number of children who should be in school every day. Look about you and be convinced of the truth of my statement. The school is an institution existing for you and your children. Why not take advantage of the opportunity which it brings your way?

Friday afternoon, October 30th, is Patron's Day. Some time during that afternoon we hope every patron of the school will take the time to visit us for a short while, at least. Last year 98 patrons visited us on this occasion. Let's make it 125 this year.

Mrs. Dollie Jones, nee Beulah Lowry, wife of Dollie Jones and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lowry, died at her home in Concord Sunday at 11:00 o'clock. She was a young woman, being only 23 years old, and was loved and respected by all who knew her.

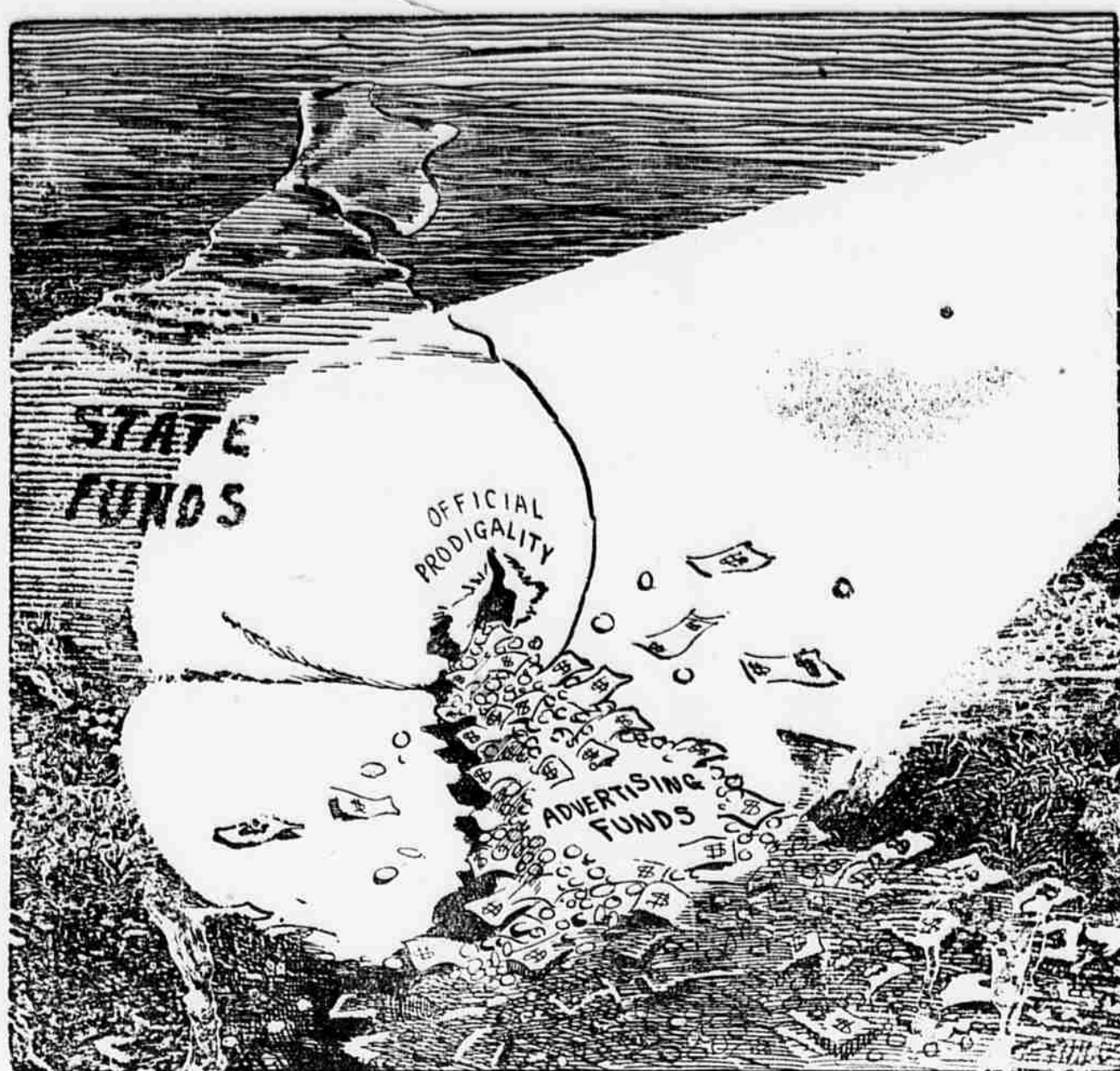
Mrs. Lucy McDonald of Blaine, Washington, who is visiting friends in this county, accompanied by Mrs. Kittie Boyer of Caruthersville and Mrs. James Gaither of this city, visited the Herald family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Klinkhardt and family left Sunday for their old home near St. Louis, having given up Pemiscot county as their residence. They were good citizens and we regret to lose them.

E. S. Huffman of Caruthersville was in this city Monday in the interest of his candidacy for circuit clerk.

## The Calcium Light

BY TUTHILL.



By Courtesy of the New St. Louis Star.

"Reproached for his manner of letting contracts for advertising the Constitutional Amendments, Secretary of State Cornelius Roach invited the publisher of the Hayti Herald, a Pemiscot county weekly, 'to turn on the calcium light.'—The New St. Louis Star.

## "TURN ON THE CALCIUM LIGHT."

Ed P. Crowe, Editor of the Dexter Statesman, after getting a "split" of the \$535.00 or more, and we will mention the "more" later, for advertising the constitutional amendments, takes two lines of his valuable space to say:

"Don't knock on Con Roach; he's not the law. Change the law."

Likely that is what Con Roach wrote to Crowe when he requested him to discontinue the "split" publication of the amendments—at least we presume, since we "turned on the calcium light," that Mr. Roach must have got some word to Mr. Crowe, along with others who were publishing the "split," because several of them dropped it like it was a hot potato.

"Fix the law," says Crowe, but how, he does not suggest. We will suggest, therefore, that it be made a felony for an official not to follow the law and also where two or more papers combine to "split" the money received for public service. The law is sufficiently plain for any honest man to follow when it says: "Officers SHALL accept of the most advantageous terms that can be obtained." Perhaps Mr. Crowe and the other pets of Con Roach want the law changed to "MAY accept."

It was amusing to watch the machine papers of Con Roach scuttle for a hiding place when the Herald "turned on the calcium light." They were having

an enjoyable time thinking of the \$535.00 "split" that was to cost the state approximately \$50,000, until the scintillating rays of the "calcium light" penetrated their sanctum sanctorum in the form of a decision of the higher courts (104 Mo. App. 723.) which condemns such graft and makes it an illegal practice, and many of them in ducking for a place of concealment lost no time in removing the amendment forms from their presses.

But this will not end the matter nor will it shut off the "calcium light." The graft will go on just the same, only the papers receiving the "split" will not render the service, but will go out in some back alley to divide the \$535.00 of the taxpayers' money to which they are not entitled either legally or morally.

We have reference to the advertising of the constitutional amendments by the state, which it is the duty of the secretary of state to have advertised in one paper in each county, and in the discharge of which duty the secretary of state has ignored the law "to accept of the most advantageous terms," but instead has dispensed the patronage to the papers of his own personal choice at the full maximum rate, evidently for the purpose of building up a political machine to boost his candidacy for governor in 1916. In some counties, as a salve or a muzzle to keep certain papers silent, it has been the

custom to "split" the advertising and divide the fee with two or more papers, and this year we know of one county where a "split" was made between four papers. We notice, however, since we exposed the graft several of our exchanges which had a "split" have quit publishing the amendments and are silent. It stands to reason, however, that they will still receive the division of the State's money agreed upon, although they have rendered the state no service, and it is not legal for more than one paper in each county to advertise and receive pay for the work.

We do not now and have not accused the newspapers of Missouri of any intentional wrongdoing, because we believe they did not know the law until Secretary of State Cornelius Roach invited us to "turn on the calcium light." But the secretary of state did know the law, and to him the blame must attach.

It is now up to the newspapers of the state to demand and see to it that the entire laws governing public or legal advertising are thoroughly reconstructed. Of course the political ring and machine papers who are feasting off of the public treasury and at the hands of officers and politicians will oppose any change in the law, but there ought to be enough fairminded, honest newspapers in the state to accomplish the purpose.

Mr. and Mrs. John Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Easley, Dr. F. A. Mayes, Von Mayes, W. W. Tarkington, Cal Chism, Pete Meatte and other good democrats went over to Caruthersville Monday night, to hear the speech of United States Senator Jas. A. Reed.

\$5 Reward—Strayed from my place, 1 mile southwest of Hayti, one white speckled heifer, 2 years old, either fresh or ready to be so, yellow ears, marked overbit and split in right and underbit and split in left, weight about 800. Notify John Mikel, Hayti, Mo.

J. N. Lewis and Miss Ida Ferguson were quietly married at the home of the bride on Tuesday of last week, and now they are keeping house at Mr. Lewis' home.

Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Popham of Wilson, Ark., were in this city Thursday, on their way home from a visit to Mrs. Popham's daughter in Senath.

Several prominent republicans were here Monday, settling up a jamboree between themselves.

The cotton market has been on the decline for several days, and the farmers are up against the time of their lives. And, not only the farmers are up against it, but every branch of business is touched. Many steps have been taken in the hopes of relieving the situation, but the cotton crop in the United States is such a tremendous thing that it is almost impossible to cope with the present situation, which, of course, instead of being caused by the party in power, the democratic, republican, or any other party, is caused by the European war and the closing of the ports and stopping the merchant marine of the world. Let us think for just a minute that the United States produces over 60 per cent of the cotton produced in the entire world, and that to find a market we export about 60 per cent of what we produce, and we will see how tremendous the present crisis is.

Mrs. R. L. Popham was shopping in Caruthersville Monday.

## Party Call.

The National Democracy, Woodrow Wilson, William Jennings Bryan and William J. Stone, need a vote of confidence from Pemiscot county. They have a right to demand this vote of confidence from the Democrats of Pemiscot county. There is a tremendous struggle going on in this country now between the forces of genuine Democracy and the forces of privilege. That campaign for genuine Democracy is well under way under the leadership of Woodrow Wilson, but it is not yet finally won, and that Democrat who refuses to assist in making the victory complete is not true to his countrymen. Woodrow Wilson has already commanded a following beyond the lines of strict Democracy. Recruits have come into the party. It will be an unfortunate thing if the country in November gives a verdict which will permit the opponents of Wilson to cry out that he is losing ground. Democratic victories in November might have national consequences. A president of the United States who has been repudiated at the polls could not be expected to wield much influence in London, Berlin, St. Petersburg, Vienna and Tokyo. When the time comes for the president to speak to the warring nations, and we hope that it comes soon, his call will be more far-reaching when it is known that in every way possible the American people have expressed their confidence in him. Not only the party, but the nation is calling to the people to stand back of Woodrow Wilson. Let every Democrat in Pemiscot county do his duty. Let us lay aside our petty bickerings and local quarrels and march in solid ranks to the polls November 3rd and roll up the greatest Democratic majority in the history of Pemiscot county.

## Black Hand Ensign.

In the spring of '85 a reporter for The Arkansas Traveler died. The day after the funeral a visitor to the office found the editor and his staff talking about their late associate.

"It has been a sad loss, friends," the visitor said, "a sad loss, indeed." He sighed and looked about the room. "Ah, I am pleased to see," he went on, "that you commemorate the melancholy event by hanging up a crape."

Opie Read frowned. "Where do you see any crape?"

"Over there," said the visitor, pointing.

"Crape be darned," said Read. "That isn't crape. That's the office towel."—Los Angeles Express.

## Judge G. R. Henderson.

Judge G. R. (Riley) Henderson announces this week as a candidate on the republican ticket for the office of presiding judge of the county court of Pemiscot county. Judge Henderson is too well and favorably known to need any introduction from us, and, having served one term, 1910 to 1912 as associate judge, his qualifications and integrity need no comment. Judge Henderson informed us that he was not making this race as a matter of choice, but on account of the urgent solicitation of his friends.

Cornelius Roach, secretary of state, spoke in the city hall in this city last Thursday afternoon. He passed through this city to Caruthersville, where he was met by some of his personal friends, and in the afternoon they automobilized over to this city. Among the prominent citizens of Caruthersville we noticed in attendance were: Hon. Sterling H. McCarty, Chas. R. Pierce, Edwin S. Huffman, Geo. A. Lamb, W. R. Lacey, Ben M. Tinsley, Sloan Oliver, Elwood Scott. Unlike some expected, Mr. Roach did not refer to his manner of letting the contract for advertising the constitutional amendments, but confined his talk to other state matters. We are sorry this man happened to get mixed up in the democratic speech-making in this county, for, at best, it is going to be all the democrats can do to save the ticket. The democratic party in this county are not responsible for Mr. Roach's acts, however, and should not be held to account for the fact that he was sent here by the speakers' bureau in St. Louis.

Mrs. John Baird will open her school at the Dowd-Gayoso school house next Monday, the 26th, and would appreciate a good attendance.

## What is Best?

Several prominent land owners of Drainage District Number 8 were in this city Saturday, coming here for the purpose of having a meeting to devise some way to arrange for the drainage to be resumed and completed. We understand, however, that nothing definite was decided upon. From the best information we can obtain, it seems that all the land owners of this particular district are willing for the county court to sell additional bonds for the purpose of resuming the work, and it is contended that the court has ample authority under the law to do this. It is said that the law limits the amount of drainage bonds or taxation to a certain per cent of the assessed value of the land, and in this case the old bonds, the money for which was lost in the Pemiscot County Bank failure, still left a sufficient margin under the law to issue and sell new bonds of sufficient amount to complete the drainage. The land owners contend that while this would work a hardship upon them and that the amount of the tax would be burdensome, still they want the drainage completed so that they can receive its benefit; that having already been taxed to begin the work, they feel now that it is best to pay this additional amount and let the work go on. The land owners now seem to be very reasonable in their demands and are looking for the best means of overcoming the difficulty that has been forced upon them. Therefore, if it is possible for the county court to issue and sell additional bonds, as it is claimed can be done, we can see no reason why that would not be the best, surest and quickest way to bring the matter to a conclusion. Of course the amount of money collected from the bondsmen of the old bank would from time to time materially lessen the amount of taxes the land owners would be required to pay.

The ball game at Portageville Sunday ended a series of games of the S. E. Mo. League, the final games being played between Sikeston and Portageville, resulting in four games out of six in favor of Portageville. Some of those from Hayti who attended were: H. H. Thompson; Jesse Gwin, who pitched the game; F. M. Gwin, W. P. Meatte, Joe Meatte, Atlee Jackson, Mrs. Ada Bridges.

The time of the mail between this city and Foust has been changed to leave this city mornings instead of at noon, the change taking effect Monday.

John Streiff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Streiff of this city, has bought the White Star Bakery at Caruthersville, from Nick Frederick.

S. E. Redman of Holland was here Monday.

## Notice.

To those indebted to me: As bad luck and misfortune have placed me in a position that compels me to collect all notes payable to me when due, I will buy your cotton, corn, hog, cattle, and advance you money to pick your cotton. This proposition is made so that I may help you as much as possible in taking care of your note.

J. M. McELVAIN.

## \$5.00 Reward.

Strayed or stolen, from Point Pleasant, about August 15, one black mare, 7 years old, 3 white feet, white spot between eyes, mane lays on left side, weight about 900. Notify me on John Crafton place, 14 miles south of Hayti, or by mail.

W. L. DAVIS.

## Final Settlement.

All creditors and others interested in the estate of Jas. T. Robertson, deceased, are notified that the undersigned, administratrix of said estate, intends to make final settlement of said estate at the next term of the probate court of Pemiscot county, to be held at Caruthersville, in said county, on the 9th day of November, 1914.

LAURA ROBERTSON.

Administratrix.

## Final Settlement.

All creditors and others interested in the estate of Rebecca Daugherty, deceased, are notified that the undersigned, administrator of said estate, intends to make final settlement of said estate at the next term of the probate court of Pemiscot county, to be held at Caruthersville, in said county, on the 9th day of November, 1914.

N. B. SUMMERS.

Administrator.

## Final Settlement.

All creditors and others interested in the estate of W. P. Robertson, deceased, are notified that the undersigned, administrator of said estate, intends to make final settlement of said estate at the next term of the probate court of Pemiscot county, to be held at Caruthersville, in said county, on the 9th day of November, 1914.

SAM WELCH.

Administrator.